



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Mr. Matthew B. Pagels, President
Seneca Nation of Indians
12837 Route 438
Cattaraugus Territory
Irving, NY 14081

Re: Final UIC Permit Decision for Sandstone Development LLC
PAS2R420BMCK

Dear President Pagels:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region III (the Region), would like to thank you and the Seneca Nation of Indians (the Nation) for the patient dedication displayed throughout our consultation process regarding the proposed issuance of an Underground Injection Control Class II-R (UIC) permit (PAS2R420BMCK) to Sandstone Development LLC of Bradford, Pennsylvania. On August 31, 2021, the Nation provided EPA with comments on the proposed UIC permit and declined further consultation. To address the Nation's comments, the Region has prepared a Response to Comments, which is enclosed. The Region sincerely hopes that it concisely addressed each of the Nation's comments to a satisfactory degree and thanks the Nation for sharing its concerns. At this time, the Region has decided to issue a final permit to Sandstone Development. The permit and its authorization to inject shall remain in effect for the operational life of the facility.

If the Nation has any additional questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Ryan Hancharick at [[HYPERLINK "mailto:hancharick.ryan@epa.gov"](mailto:hancharick.ryan@epa.gov)] or 215-814-3278. We thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Catherine A. Libertz, Director
Water Division

Enclosure: Response to Comments

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